



Today's Daf In Review is being sent l'zecher nishmas Habachur Yechezkel Shraga A"H ben R' Avrohom Yehuda

Chullin Daf Kuf Hey

- **R' Assi** asked **R' Yochanan**, how long does one have to wait between eating meat and cheese?
R' Yochanan said, he need not wait at all.
 - **Q:** We have learned that **R' Chisda** said that after eating meat it is assur to eat cheese, but after eating cheese it is mutar to eat meat!? **A:** Rather, **R' Assi** asked, how long must one wait between eating cheese and meat (i.e. after eating cheese). It was to that that **R' Yochanan** said, he need not wait at all.
 - **R' Acha bar Yosef** asked **R' Chisda**, what is the halacha with regard to the meat stuck between one's teeth? **R' Chisda** responded with the pasuk of "habasar odenu bein shineyhem", from which we see that meat stuck between the teeth still has the status of meat.
 - **Mar Ukva** said, in this respect "I am like vinegar the son of wine compared to my father". For if my father ate meat, he would not eat dairy for 24 hours, whereas when I eat meat, I won't eat dairy at the same meal, but will eat dairy at the next meal.
 - **Shmuel** said, in this respect "I am like vinegar the son of wine compared to my father". For my father would check on his fields twice every day, whereas I only do so once a day. This aligns with **Shmuel's** statement elsewhere where he talks of the importance of checking on one's properties every day.
 - **Abaye** caught a sharecropper trying to steal from him because he would check his properties every day. **R' Assi** checked daily and in doing so came across a small crack in a dam that he had set up, which he was then able to repair before it caused massive damage to his fields.
- **R' Idi bar Avin in the name of R' Yitzchak bar Ashyan** said, the washing of the hands before eating ("mayim rishonim") is a mitzvah, but the washing of the hands after finishing eating ("mayim achronim") is a chiyuv.
 - **Q:** A Braisa says, mayim rishonim and mayim achronim are a chiyuv, and the washing of the hands between courses is optional!? **A:** When comparing something that is a mitzvah to something that is optional, the mitzvah is considered to be a "chiyuv".
 - The Braisa just quoted says, mayim rishonim and mayim achronim are a chiyuv, and the washing of the hands between courses is optional. Mayim rishonim may be poured over the hands into another keili or onto the ground, but mayim achronim must be poured into another keili. Some have the version that these waters may not be poured onto the ground. [The difference between the versions would be whether it may be poured onto wood chips – according to the first version this could not be done and according to the second version this could be done.] Mayim rishonim can be done with hot water or cold water, but mayim achronim may only be done with cold water, because hot water doesn't remove the dirt from the fingers.
 - **R' Yitzchak bar Yosef in the name of R' Yannai** said, when the Braisa says that mayim rishonim can be done with hot water or cold water, that is only when it is not so hot that it would burn the hand. If it would, it could not be used.
 - **Others** learned this as being said on the end of the Braisa, which says that hot water may not be used for mayim achronim. It is on that, that **R' Yitzchak bar Yosef in the name of R' Yannai** said, that is only when it is so hot that it would burn the hand. If it would not, it could be used. This suggests that regarding mayim rishonim, even if the water is hot enough to burn the hand it may still be used.

- **R' Nachman** said, the washing between courses is only optional between two like dishes (e.g. both of meat or both of dairy), but between meat and dairy this washing would be a chiyuv.
- **R' Yehuda the son of R' Chiya** said, the reason that mayim achronim is a chiyuv is because there is Sedom Salt that may be mixed into the salt that the person touched during the meal, and Sedom Salt causes blindness. Therefore, the hands must be washed to remove any such salt. **Abaye** said, this salt is found one grain per kor of regular salt.
 - **R' Acha the son of Rava** asked **R' Ashi**, what if someone measured salt, but did not eat, must he also wash his hands? **R' Ashi** said, he must absolutely wash his hands as well.
- **Abaye** said, initially I thought that the reason we don't wash mayim achronim onto the ground is because the water will become smelly and disgusting (from the food). However, **Rabbah** told me it is because there is an evil spirit that rests on these waters when they are on the ground.
 - **Abaye** said, initially I thought that we do not take anything from the table when a person is drinking, because it can cause that person to choke. However, **Rabbah** told me it is because this can cause the Tzarda spirit to come and harm. Therefore, there are ways to take without causing it to come and other ways which must be avoided.
 - **Abaye** said, initially I thought that the reason we gather the crumbs from the floor is for cleanliness. However, **Rabbah** told me it is because leaving them on the floor can lead to poverty.
 - There was a person who was being chased by the Malach in charge of poverty, but the Malach couldn't gain control over the person, because he was extremely careful not to leave crumbs on the floor. He once ate bread over grass and the Malach thought he would finally be able to get him. However, the person took a shovel, dug up the area of the crumbs, and threw it into the river. The Malach conceded that he had no power over this person.
 - **Abaye** said, initially I thought that we do not drink the foam from on top of liquids, because it is considered to be disgusting. However, **Rabbah** told me it is because drinking the foam leads to the "karsam" illness. The Gemara adds that blowing the foam leads to a head illness, pushing the foam leads to poverty. Rather, one must allow it to sink into the liquid.
 - If one suffers from the karsam from drinking the foam of wine, he should drink beer. If it is from the foam of beer he should drink water. If it is from the foam of water there is no antidote. This is an example of the saying that "poverty follows the poor".
 - **Abaye** said, initially I thought that we do not eat vegetables directly from the bundle of the farmer, because it makes him look like a ravenous human being. However, **Rabbah** told me it is because doing so makes one susceptible to kishuf.
 - We are told of a story where a woman tried unsuccessfully to harm **R' Chisda and Rabbah bar R' Huna** with kishuf. One of the reasons she couldn't was because they never ate vegetables directly from the bundle of the farmer.
 - **Abaye** said, initially I thought that we do not eat vegetables that fell off the table because it is disgusting. However, **Rabbah** told me it is because it causes bad breath.
 - **Abaye** said, initially I thought that we do not sit under a drainpipe so that water not drip on us. However, **Rabbah** told me it is because demons hang out there.
 - A person once put a barrel of wine under a drainpipe and a demon came and smashed it. The person went to **Mar bar R' Ashi** to sue the demon for the barrel of wine. **Mar bar R' Ashi** blew a shofar to put the demon in cheirem. The demon came to him and said, what was I supposed to do? He put the barrel in my ear! **Mar bar R' Ashi** said, you

have no business being in a public place and therefore you must pay. He gave him time to pay, but the demon delayed in coming back to pay. When he came he explained that he is only allowed to take things from hefker, and therefore it took him more time to find money for payment.

- **Abaye** said, initially I thought that people pour off some water from a pitcher before drinking to pour off any wood splinters that may be there. However, **Rabbah** told me it is because there may be “bad water” (water that a demon drank from) that is floating on top.
 - A demon who worked in the house of **R’ Pappa** delayed in bringing water from the river. He explained that he needed to wait until all the “bad water” had passed downstream. He then saw that the people poured off some water from the pitcher before drinking. The demon said, had I known you would do this, I would not have had to wait by the river.